

DETAILED ACTION-ALLOWANCE

Claim Status

A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after allowance or after an Office action under *Ex Parte Quayle*, 25 USPQ 74, 453 O.G. 213 (Comm'r Pat. 1935). Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, prosecution in this application has been reopened pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed April 22, 2008 has been entered. No claims have been amended, cancelled, or newly added. Claims 1-5, 7-12, 41-43 and 55 are pending in the application. Claims 1-5, 7-12, 41-43 and 55 stand allowed pursuant to the notice of allowance dated April 4, 2008.

Information Disclosure Statement

The information disclosure statement (IDS) submitted on April 22, 2008 is in compliance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97. Accordingly, the information disclosure statements have been considered by the examiner, and indicated as such on Form PTO SB/08, and the information contained therein is not deemed to preclude the patentability of the previously allowed claims.

Claims 1-5, 7-12, 41-43 and 55 are allowed.

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